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XA-9584 PATENT APPLICATION

Response Under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 Expedited Procedure Examining Group 3682

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Stephen Paul GREEN et al.

Appln. No.: 09/987,024 Group Art Unit: 3682

Filed: November 13, 2001 Examiner: B. Van Pelt

For: A STEERING COLUMN ASSEMBLY FOR A VEHICLE

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.